

AS

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 95-1186-C - ORDER NO. 96-5 ✓
JANUARY 2, 1996

IN RE: Application of Farmers Telephone Cooperative,) ORDER
Inc. for Approval to Discontinue Improved) GRANTING
Mobile Telephone Service (IMTS).) REQUEST

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Farmers or the Company) requesting approval to discontinue its Improved Mobile Telephone Service (IMTS). Farmers indicates that it can no longer offer this service on a trouble-free basis.

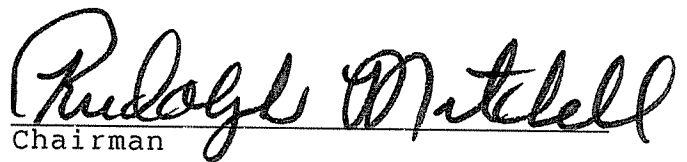
Pursuant to the instructions of the Executive Director, Farmers published in newspapers of general circulation a Notice of Filing in the case indicating how an interested party might participate in the proceedings. In addition, each individual customer presently subscribing to the system was notified of the Application. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene had been received.

The Commission has examined this matter, and believes that the request to discontinue the Improved Mobile Telephone Service should be granted. Clearly, no public outcry greeted news of the system's proposed elimination. Numerous customers of the system

have gone on to become cellular customers. Therefore, the Commission believes there is no real need for continuance of the system.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)